या प्रति पन्द्रह मिनट के अन्तराल पर गाड़ियां चलाये जाने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है;

(घ) क्या दिल्ली के रिंग रेलवे स्टेशनों को डी०टी०सी० के मार्गों से जोड़ने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है; और

(ङ) दिल्ली की रिंग रेलवे को लोकप्रिय बनाने के लिए सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे है?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री के०सी० लेंका): (क) दिल्ली में रिंग रेलवे से औसतन लगभग 18000 यात्री प्रतिदिन यात्रा करते हैं।

(ख) यातायात की कमी।

(ग) जी नहीं।

(घ) और (ङ) दिल्ली के उपराज्यपाल ने राइट्स से कहा है कि वह इस बात का अध्ययन करके सिफारिश करें कि मौजूदा रिंग रेलवे पर किस तरह से अधिक गाड़ियां चलायी जा सकती हैं और इसे अधिक लोकप्रिय बनाने के लिए संबद्ध बस सेवा की कैसे व्यवस्था की जा सकती है।

Doubling of Tracks in Shoranur Mangalore Sector

378. SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for doubling the rail track in Shoranur-Mangalore sector of the Southern Railway;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) whether any survey has been undertaken or is being undertaken for doubling the said tracks, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The matter is under consideration.

Inauguration of Pachpaoli Railway overbridge, Nagpur

379. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pachpaoli Railway overbridge in Nagpur has been formally inaugurated;

(b) if so, when and by whom;

(c) if not, what are the reasons for the inordinate delay; and

(d) by when this overbridge is likely to be inaugurated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Formal inauguration of Road over bridges is not done by Railways, normally.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) The Road overbridge was opened to traffic by the PWD Authorities.

Beautification of Nagpur Railway Station

380. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any need to beautify the Nagpur Railway Station and its environment;

(b) if so, what plans have been made to beautify the railway station;

(c) how much financial expenditure is likely to be allotted for its beautification; and

(d) by when the beautification work is likely to be commenced and by when it would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) to (d) Nagpur Railway Station and its environment are in good condition. However, as a measure of further development, works of improvements to the circulating area

have been taken up at an approximate cost of Rs. 4 lakh. The work would be completed after the Nagpur Municipal Corporation diverts the traffic from the western side and creates suitable parking facilities.

Inconvenience due to level crossing in Mangalwari-Kadbi Nagpur

381. DR. SHRIKANT RAM-CHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the heavy traffic and inconvenience caused due to the level crossing in Mangalwari-Kadbi Chowk Road in Nagpur;

(b) whether Government are also aware about the need for constructing a Railway overbridge at this place;

(c) whether any survey has been made and financial estimates have been made with respect to this site; and

(d) by when the work for the construction of the overbridge is likely to be commenced and completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) and (b) Management of roads and road traffic is the concern of State Government/Road authorities. The State Government proposes replacement of busy level crossings by Road over bridges taking into consideration the overall needs of transportation of the State. No proposal for replacement of this level crossing has been received from the State Govt.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Enquiry Committee Report on Rail Accident near Dhamangaon, Maharashtra

382. DR. SHRIKANT RAM-CHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an enquiry into the cause of the Railway accident which had occurred near Dhamangaon Railway Station in Maharashtra, near Nagpur last year, has been completed;

(b) if so, what is the conclusion of the enquiry report;

(c) what are the names of the persons who have conducted the enquiry;

(d) what action is contemplated against the errant personnel; and

(e) what is the extent of the damages incurred by the Railways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The accident causing derailment of 8033 Dn. Ahmedabad-Howrah Express between Dhamangaon and Talni stations of Nagpur division of Central Railway on 9.7.92 has been classified by the Commissioner of Railway Safety as "sabotage".

(c) Dr. M. Mani, Commissioner of Railway Safety, Central Circle Bombay conducted the enquiry.

(d) Since the derailment has been caused by an act of sabotage by persons whose identity could not be established, a case has been registered with the police for necessary action.

(e) The cost of damage to Railway property in Rs. 83,24,000/-.